

REMARKS

The following claims are pending in this application: 1, 7, 9, 10, 12, 22, 28, 30, 31, 33, 43, 49, 51, 52, 54, 57, 58, 68, 71, 72, 76, 77, 79, 81, 83, 92 to 95, 100 to 103, and 108 to 111.¹

Of these, the following claims are independent: 1, 22, 43 and 68. Favorable reconsideration and further examination are respectfully requested.

Initially, Applicant would like to thank the Examiner for the courtesies extended to the undersigned during a telephone interview on May 1, 2006. During that interview, it was agreed that this application would be allowable if the claims were amended as set forth above, in particular, to include that the message comprising the HTTP command comprises a one-way communication. Accordingly, Applicant has so amended the claims. Applicant has also made one additional amendment that is not believed to bear on patentability. In particular, Applicant has changed "the message containing an identifier that is unique to the apparatus" to "the message containing a code that is unique to the device or apparatus".

In view of the foregoing, an indication of allowability is respectfully requested.

Finally, Applicant is submitting herewith an Information Disclosure Statement containing communications with the European Patent Office (EPO) indicating that the EPO intends to grant a patent application in the EP counterpart to this case, with claims that are similar, although not identical, to the claims set forth above.

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¹ The Examiner is urged to independently confirm this recitation of the pending claims.

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No additional fees are believed to be due for this Amendment. However, if any fees are due, please apply such fees, which have not already been covered by check, to deposit account 06-1050, referencing Attorney Docket No. 11333-014001.

Respectfully submitted,

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